

Monroe County (N.Y.)
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Medical Society

BY-LAWS
OF
MONROE COUNTY MEDICAL
SOCIETY.

As revised at the Annual Meeting, in May 1834.

BY-LAWS.

MEETINGS.

ARTICLE I.—There shall be two meetings of this Society in each year,—

One to be called the Annual—

The other, the Semi-Annual Meeting.

ART. II.—The Annual Meetings of this Society shall be held on the Second Wednesday in May, in each year.

The Semi-Annual Meetings, on the Second Wednesday in November, in each year, at 10 o'clock A. M., at the Court House in Rochester; and should a quorum not appear within two hours after the time of meeting, the members present shall have power to adjourn the meeting from day to day, till a quorum does appear.

ART. III.—Extraordinary meetings of this Society may be called by the President, or Vice President, and five of the Censors, of which due notice shall be given in two of the newspapers of this city.

At every meeting the minutes of the preceding one shall be read.

ART. IV.—Seven members present shall constitute a quorum.

ORDER OF BUSINESS.

ART. V.—The order of business shall be—

- 1st. Names of members called;
- 2d. Minutes of preceding meeting read;
- 3d. Unfinished business of last meeting;
- 4th. Report of Committees;
- 5th. Dissertations read;
- 6th. Communications heard;
- 7th. Alterations and Amendments proposed or adopted;
- 8th. Members admitted;
- 9th. President's Address;
- 10th. Election of Officers;
- 11th. Levying of tax;
- 12th. Miscellaneous subjects;
- 13th. Adjournment.

MEMBERS.

ART. VI.—Every member, before he shall be entitled to any of the privileges of membership, shall subscribe his name to the By-Laws, and pay to the Secretary two dollars.

ART. VII.—Every member for absence from an annual meeting, (if he reside in the city of Rochester,) shall pay a fine of three dollars; and all those who reside out of the city, shall pay one dollar. And for absenting himself from any meeting after it has been organized, (without permission from the chair,) any sum, not exceeding one dollar, at the discretion of the President.

ART. VIII.—Honorary members admitted by a vote of two-thirds of the members present, at any meeting.

OFFICERS.

ART. IX.—The officers of this Society shall consist of a President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, and seven Censors, who shall be severally elected by a majority of ballots, at every annual meeting, and shall hold their respective offices until others are elected. Seniority of Censors determined by order of election.

PRESIDENT.

ART. X.—The President shall preserve order at all meetings of the Society; appoint committees; take the votes of the Society on motions made and seconded, and in case of division, shall have a casting vote.

VICE PRESIDENT.

ART. XI.—In the absence of the President, the Vice President shall preside, and in his absence also, the Senior Officer present, excepting the Secretary, and if no such officer be present, a President *pro tem* shall be chosen.

SECRETARY.

ART. XII.—The Secretary shall record the proceedings, and keep all accounts of the Society, collect all dues, and pay them to the Treasurer, taking his receipt therefor.

TREASURER.

ART. XIII.—The Treasurer shall receive all moneys belonging to the Society, and pay them to its order, keeping a correct account of the same, and report at each annual meeting the amount of receipts and expenditures. He shall give such security as the President, Vice President and Secretary shall deem sufficient, for the monies received by him belonging to the Society.

CENSORS.

ART. XIV.—The Censors shall examine all candidates for practice, who shall present themselves at any meeting of the Society, or at any other time and place appointed by a majority of the Censors, after due notice from such candidate.

It shall be the duty of the Senior Censor present at any examination to assign to the other Censors, the branches upon which they are severally to examine the applicant, reserving to himself the privilege of examining the student upon any or all of the branches as he shall think proper.

Candidates found qualified, shall receive a certificate thereof signed by at least three Censors, directed to the President and Secretary of the Society, by whom shall be *granted* to the candidate, *A Diploma*, with their signatures, and the seal of the Society affixed, after said candidate shall have paid to the Secretary ten dollars for the benefit of the Society.

The Censors shall be, ex-officio, Trustees of the Library belonging to this Society, with power to appoint a Librarian, and to regulate the times of drawing and returning books, assessing fines for damages and for delinquencies in returning the same.

EXAMINATIONS.

ART. XV.—No Student shall be examined, unless he produce satisfactory proof, that he is of *good moral character*; that he has studied the time, and in the manner required by law. If he be a candidate for the Practice of Physic, he shall be examined, on Materia Medica, Pharmacy, Anatomy, Physiology, Obstetrics, and on the Theory and Practice of Physic. Candidates for License to practice Surgery, shall be examined particularly on Anatomy and Surgery.

DIPLOMAS.

ART. XVI.—*To all to whom these Presents shall come,
Or may, in any wise concern:*
*The PRESIDENT and MEMBERS of the Monroe County
Medical Society send Greeting:*

Whereas,

Hath exhibited unto us satisfactory testimony, that he hath studied **PHYSIC** and **SURGERY**, for the term, and in the manner directed by **LAW**—and hath also, upon the examination of our *Censors*, given sufficient proof of his proficiency in the healing *Art*, and of his *Moral Character*.

NOW KNOW YE; That by *VIRTUE* of the *Power*, vested in us by **LAW**, we do grant unto the said

the privilege of practicing **Physic** and **Surgery** in this State, together with all the rights and immunities which usually appertain to **PHYSICIANS** and **SURGEONS**.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, we have granted this
DIPLOMA, sealed with our seal, and
testified by our President and Secretary.

Dated at *this* *day of* 18

SPECIAL TAX.

ART. XVII.—The Society at any annual meeting may lay a special tax on each member, not exceeding two dollars.

DELEGATE.

ART. XVIII.—A Delegate to the State Medical Society shall be appointed as often as the seat becomes vacant, by ballot.

DISSERTATIONS.

ART. XIX.—At every meeting of the Society a member shall be appointed, who, if he accept the appointment, shall deliver a Dissertation on some subject connected with Medical Science, at the next meeting, or for neglect thereof, not unavoidable, shall pay a fine of *five dollars*.

ART. XX.—It shall be the duty of the President and Delegate, at the expiration of their respective offices, to deliver a Dissertation relating to the Science of Medicine; or for neglect thereof, pay a fine of *fifteen dollars*.

It shall be the privilege of other members to deliver dissertations, or make communications, which they may deem interesting to the Society.

AMENDMENTS.

ART. XX.—The By-Laws of this Society may be amended by a vote of two-thirds of the members present, at the annual meetings of the Society only.

OFFICERS OF THE SOCIETY IN 1834.

Doct. JOHN D. HENRY, *President*.

" GIDEON TABOR, *Vice President*.

" F. F. BACKUS, *Treasurer*.

" WM. W. REID, *Secretary*.

" A. COLMAN, *Delegate to State M. S.*

CENSORS.

Doct. J. B. ELWOOD,

Doct. A. G. SMITH,

" J. W. SMITH,

" H. N. FENN,

" F. EDSON,

" D. CARPENTER.

Doct. J. E. CAMP.

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